GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES
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PROMOTION OF FPI IN TENTH PLAN
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Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have any proposal to promote Food Processing Industries (FPI) during the Tenth Plan;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) the proposals mooted for the development of FPI in Madhya Pradesh and other States ; and

(d) the incentives proposed to be provided by the Government to promote FPI in the States during the said Plan?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI N.T. SHANMUGAM)

(a) to (d): The Ministry of Food ProcessingIndustries promotes food processing industries through a combination of policy initiatives and plan schemes. Through its plan schemes the Ministry provides financial assistance to cooperatives, NGOs,public sector undertakings, private sector, R & D institutions, etc. Financial assistance is available by way of grant upto 25 % of the cost of plant and machinery and technical civil works subject to a maximum of Rs. 50 lakhs in general areas and 33.33% of the cost of plant and machinery and technical civil works subject to a maximum of Rs. 75 lakhs in difficult areas. Assistance is also extended for the purchase of raw materials from farmers with whom prior agreement is entered into and subject to certain conditions. The Ministryalso assists in human resource development, quality assurance and infrastructure development. For the State of Madhya Pradesh 11 (Eleven) projects have been approved for assistance, which include 6 (six) food parks.